

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are the only claims pending. Original claims 1, 3, 8, 9 and 12-16 have been amended to eliminate informal "use of" terminology, to reduce filing fees by eliminating multiple dependency and to provide minor clarification.

Claims 12-14 are amended to convert a use claim to process claims. The amendment is supported by the disclosure on page 1, line 1 and the example on page 31, line 15.

Claim 15 is further amended to conform to U.S. terminology for a product-by-process claim (deleting the term obtainable).

The newly added claims 17-18 are supported by originally filed claims 8 and 9 respectively .

No new matter has been added.

Applicants aver that the claims 1-18 are now in better form for examination. An Action on the merits of the claims is respectfully awaited. In the event that minor amendments will further prosecution, applicants request that the examiner contact the undersigned representative.

Respectfully submitted,


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